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1. I discussed with Mr. Amory and [] of his administrative staff, the request which we have received from Mr. McHugh of the staff of the Anti-Trust and Monopoly Legislation Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, that CIA make [] available for two months duty with the Subcommittee to assist in their study of the monopoly aspect of the automobile industry. Mr. McHugh had discussed this matter with [] before bringing this matter to our attention. Mr. McHugh advised me that [] was eminently qualified to help the Subcommittee, that he was currently being paid at the rate of approximately \$7500 a year and that the Subcommittee proposed to pay him for his services at the rate of \$9000 a year. Mr. [] to whom I referred this problem, informed me that he had discussed the matter with [] superior, Dr. Guthe,

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Mr. Amory expressed his views to Mr. Kirkpatrick who concurred in them.

2. In Mr. McHugh's absence, I talked with Mr. Nevil of the staff of the Anti-Trust and Monopoly Legislation Subcommittee, and advised him that we greatly regret we had found that it would be impossible to release [] at this time because of the workload of the Agency. Mr. Nevil expressed regret and asked if I would send a letter to complete the Committee files on the case. Shortly thereafter, Mr. McHugh called me to inquire concerning our negative decision. He pointed out that when he had first contacted []

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the latter had informed him that from the standpoint of workload this was a comparatively free time for him and that he foresaw no objections from that standpoint. I stated that while this may have been [] opinion, I had taken the matter up both with his senior superior, the Assistant Director of the Agency, and with the responsible Deputy Director both of whom were more cognizant of the workload problems than [] and that their decision was that he could not be spared at this time. Mr. McHugh demanded the name of the Assistant Director which I refused to give him on the basis that these names were not publicly available. Mr. McHugh pointed out that other agencies of the government made a practice of supplying assistance to Committee staffs for short periods of time and at short notice. I replied that CIA also supplied such help wherever it could, that it was delighted to be of assistance, and that, in fact, we had at least one such person on detail at the Hill at the present time. I explained again, however, that these decisions had to be made on the basis of CIA workload, and that this would prevent [] detail. Mr. McHugh also requested that I send a letter to the Committee declining to make [] available, and advised that he would have to bring this matter to the attention of Senator Kilgore's office.

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